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Washington and the Great White Father will save us. I don't expect it but it may happen. In any event the bill is alive today and it may not be alive tomorrow if we go ahead with final reading.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers is next. Still speaking on the Carpenter amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. The reason I wanted the week delay was so that there would be enough people here to vote the bill on final reading. I'm going to support Senator Carpenter's motion to bracket the bill until these other bills are passed which is not going to happen but I'll tell you what else I'm going to do. When enough people are here who are in favor of this bill, I'm going to move to unbracket the bill and have it read on final reading as soon as I think there are enough votes to pass it. I'm saying that in front so it's clear why I'm supporting Senator Carpenter's motion. It's only to buy time, not to support it ultimately because as much as I support his bills and I voted for him while I was here, the Legislature's not going to pass them and I don't think the life of 235 ought to be completely wedded to the success of these bills.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: I wonder if Senator Carpenter would yield to a question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter, will you yield to a question?

SENATOR BARNETT: Mike off.

PRESIDENT: Senator -- you've got your sw--. I can't tell whether you're on or not.

SENATOR BARNETT: One--two--three? That's where I was before.

PRESIDENT: Once in a while we get a malfunction--

SENATOR BARNETT: I could have been one of those malfunctions that I have been so capable of having lately.

PRESIDENT: No comment.

SENATOR BARNETT: Senator Carpenter, I really would like to support your amendment but then I'm wondering if we can do it for this reason and I ask--I have always stated that what we should do is pass an A bill before we pass the legislation. I think you know that. I've asked you about that myself personally, and yet this body decided that we should pass the bill and then follow it with an A bill so I, I question whether this is the proper procedure and if we're capable of doing it at this time.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, we're not talking about an A bill Senator, we're talking about a bill that's come out of the Revenue Committee basically which I'll attempt to amend to accomplish the purpose of raising additional funds, it has nothing to do with an A bill.

SENATOR BARNETT: It's two different things altogether?

SENATOR CARPENTER: In my judgment, yes.

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay.

PRESIDENT: Senator Murphy. Still speaking on the Carpenter amendment to the Snyder motion.